coronoid process, and not extending anterior to the line of the posterior mar. gin of the tubercular molar. Ramus narrow at first premolar.


This species appears to have been perhaps rather larger than the Galera harbata (Gray) of Brazil, and of a rather more slender muzzle. As compared with that species, it exhibits many peculiarities. The third premolar is smaller, and the first, the sectorial, and the tubercular relatively larger. In G. barbata the first molar has but one root, and the mandibular ramus thicker and deeper. The masseteric ridge advances to opposite the middle of the sectorial molar, and is continued on the inferior margin of the ramus, much anterior to its position in the G. macrodon.

The discovery of this species adds another link to the evidence in faror of the extension of neotropical types* over the nearetic region during the postpliocene epoch. Of thirty continental North American species enumerated ly Leidy (Ancient Fauna of Nebraska, 9), all but thirteen may be said to be characteristic of that, or closely allied to the species of the present period of North America. Of the thirteen, one (Elephas) is characteristic of the old world, of one (Anomodon) affinities unknown, and eleren are represented by members of the same family or genus now living in South America.

Among marine vertebrata, as among molluscs, the equivaiency with the European beds of the same age is much closer. The following parallels exhibit this relation :

## North American.

Aetobatis arcuatus, Myliobatis pachyodon, Raja dux, Plagiostomi sp., Priscodelphinus grandevus, Balæna palæatlantica, Squalodon mento, Squalodon atlanticus,

## European.

Aëtobatis arcuatus, Myliobatis reglianus, Raja ornata, Plagiostomi sp., Priscodelph. canaliculatus, ? Balana lamanoni, Squalodon gratelonpii, Squalodon antrerpiensis.

## On the genera of Fresh-water Fishes HYPSILEPIS Baird and PHOTOGENIS Cope, their species and distribution.

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The two genera in question are among those represented by the greatest number of individuals in the streams of the eastern district (i.e., east of the Rocky Monntains) of our continent. Hypsilepis is distributed over the greater part of this area, while lhotogenis abounds most in the Allegheny region, and always in the streams flowing through the Mississippi valley, as no speeies is known to occur in an Atlantic water. As we proceed northwards, the latter genns disappears with many others, one after another, while Hypsilepis still remains, and with its largest forms peoples the waters of the Great Lakes and the St. lawrence.

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The food of both genera consists of inscets, though Photogenis only has the pharyngeal teeth without grinding surface. In the latter genus the dorsal fin is above the ventrals; in Hypsilepis it varies from a little anterior to considerably posterior. The large scales of the lateral line in Hypsilepis are so extensively imbricate as to leave but a narrow margin exposed, giving a claracter and name peculiar to the genus. Teeth in the longer row in both $4-4$.

## IlYPSLLEPIS Baird.

This genus was first outlined by Prof. Agassiz, in his work on Lake Superior ; it was then partially defined by Dr. Storer in his Fresh-water Fishes of Mlassachusetts, and later more fully by Girard, Pr. A. N. Sci. 1856. Girard has enumerated the species, which are here reviewed with the exception of two,-viz.: II. obesus (Leuciscus Storer), fiom Alabama, and II. gracilis (Leuciscus Agass.) These are described in such an imperfect manner as to leave no alternative but to omit them from this essay.

There are two coloration types in the genus, oue where the species are adorned with red pigment (Sections I. and 1II.), and (Sect. 1I.) where a white pigment is deposited. These are most brilliant during the season of deposit of eggs, and vanish in some species later in the season. In the H. coccogenis m . much of the brilliant coloration remains throughont the whole year. There are few sights more pleasiug than the brilliant crimsons of these fishes rapidly reflected in the pure water of the mountain streams, especially where species of other genera, as Clinostomus, Chrosomus and Argyreus vary the hues with gold and black. These are as the bright birds to the forest, or flowers to the fiehl, in the otherwise monotonous life of the waters.

Section III. approximates Alburnellus in the position of its dorsal fin. In Section Il. H. analostanus occasionally exhibits masticatory surface on two or even on one tooth only, thus approximating Cyprinella Girard. The Cyprinella cercostigm a Cope is of much the same type, but is without this surface, indicating the close approximation of the two genera. This species may be established as follows, prefatory to an examination of the true Hypsilepes:
Cyprinella cercostigma Cope, sp. nov.
Teeth $2 \cdot 4-4 \cdot 2$, with sharp, serrate edges. Dorsal fin inserted two scales behind that above insertions of ventrals. Dorsal line compressed elevated, rising regularly from end muzzle. Cranium convex above; muzzle narrowed in profile, slightly overhanging mouth. Eye 4.33 in length of head, $1 \cdot 5$ in length muzzle, and 2 in interorbital width. End maxillary opposite posterior margin nares. Ventral outline less curved than dorsal ; caudal peduncle rather stont ; isthmus narrow. Scales rather elevated, 8-39-3. Lateral line gently decurved over ventrals.

Head $5 \cdot 25$ times in total length ( $4 \cdot 25$ to origin caudal), one scale less than depth at dorsal. The pectorals nearly reach the ventrals, and the latter attain the vent. Radii A I. 8. C. $+19+$ A. I. 8 , the longest ray $\frac{4}{3}$ its base, and $\frac{3}{7}$ distance to longest fulcrumat origin caudal. Total length 4.52 inches; depth $\cdot 95$ inch.

Color bright olive above, without line or spot; below and sides from fifth lateral row of scales above, golden silvery. All the fins except the pectorals with white pigment at their bases, without markings; a large round black spot at base of caudal.

Mabitat.-Pearl River, Mississippi, at Monticello. Helen Temnison's coll. in Mus. Smithsonian, Washington, D. C. Four specimens.

## I. Dorsal fin above or anterior to ventrals; teetli $2 \cdot 4-4 \cdot 2$; anal radii I. 9.

Head more elevated, decurved above, mandible included; mouth slightly oblique ; eye over four times in length of head. Dorsal and caudal neither black nor ycllow-banded. cornutus.

Head nearly plane above; maudible projecting beyond muzzle, month very oblique; cye less than four times in head. Dorsal black bordered ; candal yellow at base ; head red striped... coccogenis.
II. Dorsal fin a little behind above ventrals; teeth $1 \cdot 4-4 \cdot 1$; anal radii (usually) I. 8.
Head flat, descending, mandible included, mouth horizontal; eye nearly five times in head. Dorsal with a black spot behind; caudal yellow at base, head not striped; teeth smooth; larger galacturus.
Similar to the last, but smaller ; the teeth more or less crenate, and the basal half of the caudal fiu is not colored ; a black scapular band $\qquad$ analostanus.

> III. Dorsal fin well behind above ventrals ; teeth $2 \cdot 4-4 \cdot 2$; anal radii I. 11.
> Head short, deep, eye entering 3.5 times; small, depth 3.75 in length; lateral line much decurved, seales $10-44-3$, not blackedged; dorsal black at base.
> diplæmia
> Head flat, elongate; mouth very oblique; eye three and a-half times in head; small, depth one-fifth length without caudal ; scales black-edged above 9—50—3. Dorsal black at base; lateral line little decurved
ardens.

## Hypsilepis cornutus Mitehell.

Girard, in Storer, Trans. Amer. Acar. Arts Sciences v. 1855, 118 . Proc. A. N. Sci. Phila. 1856, 212. Cyprinus Miteh., Amer. Month. Magaz. N. Y. I. 324. Leuciscus cornutus Storer, De Kay.

This is one of the most widely distributed of our Cyprinidæ, oceurring from Nova Scotia and New England through the middle and western States to beyond the Mississippi, and in the Roanoke and Tennessee Rivers southwards. In the waters of the Susquehanna and Delaware basins it is, with the Argyrens atronasus, the most abundant species. It prefers clear waters, and does not haunt rapids.

The best figure of this, as well as of some of our other Cyprinidæ, is given by Dr. Storer in his excellent Monograph on the fishes of Massachusetts.

This species is represented in its distribution by a greater amount of variation than any other of the family with which I am acquainted. The varieties are constant in a great number of their individuals. They may be enumerated as follows:
11. c. gibbus, Proc. Acad. 1864, 279.

Seven specimens from Monroe county, Mich. Seales large, six rows above lateral line, sixteen anterior to dorsal fin; it differs from the following in the great elevation of the outline in front of the dorsal fin, and other points. From the first dorsal ray the outline again descends, giving the fin a very oblique position ; this extends also, when laid back, as far as above the fifth anal ray, while in frontalis it most usually reaches a point opposite the first ray only. The eye is contained four times in the length of the head-more frequently four and a half times in frontalis. The lengtly of the heal measures in the deptli of the body, from the dorsal outline to the midille of the row below that bearing the lateral line; it extends nearly to the ventral outline in frontalis. The pharyngeal bones appear to be relatively rather stouter than in typical frontalis, and are not furnished with so prominent an inferior angle to the external ala. This, with the form of the body, wonld almost indicate a species; but as I find approximations in these and transitions in the other characters, 1 cannot so consider it.
H. c. frontalis. Le.vciscus frontalis Agassiz, Lake Superior, p. 368. Hypsilepis frontalis Cope, 1. c. 279.

Scales of dorsal region larger; fiftecu to eighteen in front of dorsal, six above lateral line. From various streams flowing into Lakes Huron and St. Clair. Lake Superior, Agass. Holston River, Virginia, abundant. Orbit in specimens 3 in .91 . in length, 3.5 times in head; in specimen 7 in. 3 l., 4.75 times in head. The latter have the interorbital region arched in section, and the vertical diameter of the orbit $3 \cdot 74$ in the same of the head. The former, the interorbital region flat aud the orbit twice in the head as before. The large speciuens have a black seapular bar. They all belong to one variety.

## H. c. cerasinus.

This variety is represented by specimens of rather small size, and with large seales: 6-40-3; 16 in front of dorsal fin ; orbit $3 \cdot 25$ in head of a specimen 3 in. 91 in length. Head fonr times in length. This is a most beautiful species in the spring aud summer; it is entirely deep rose, the iuferior fins crimson, a dorsal and two lateral metallie golden lines; the latter only visible in life and in certaiu lights, as in the other varieties. Head waters of the Roanoke.
H. c. cornutus. Leuciscus cornutus Mitchell. Leuciscus plargyrus Rafinesque hine Plurgyrus typicus Girard. P'largyrus bowmanii Girard, Proc. Acad. 1856, 196 (from autopsy).
Scales of dorsal region smaller, 22 to 24 in front of dorsal fin; on sides 8-41-3-4. Dorsal region blue iu spring; fins, chin and muzzle red. Dorsal region convex aud compressed to dorsal fin, the head four and one-quarter times in length to base of eaudal fin, and four-fifths of greatest depth of body; vertex coneave, muzzle obtuse rounded; mouth terminal, end of maxillary terminating opposite posterior nostril. From end muzzle to dorsal (1st ray) Ths from latter to origin of caudal. Ventrals origin exactly under first dorsal, broadly truncate, not quite attaining vent. Base of anal nearly equal its anterior ray, outline slightly coneave. Base of dorsal two-thirds height anteriorly. Pectoral auterior rays shortened, medial not quite reaching the ventral. Opereulum one-third higher than long. Eye, diameter one-fourth length of head, and once below its rim to upper preopercular ridge. Frontal width onehalf length head above. Scales $\frac{8}{41}$, about twenty-three on the dorsal line in tront of third dorsal fin. Radial formula D. 1. 8 ; C.4.19.5. A. 1.9. V. 8; P. I. 15. Coloration of an adult male: dorsal region as far down as the fourth row of seales dark impure blue, divided by an indistinet band of yellowish-olive one and a-half seales wide, which follows the outline of the back; bordering the dark below is a luminous line which does not attain the tail, which is very visible in the water, and from above when wet and out of water. Sides from rosy to silver-white, the scales in adults blackish at bases; anal, ventral and peetoral tins bright erimsou in spring and summer, in males. Opereulum rosy, head dark above. The males in spring have the branchiostegal membranes and the chin bright erimson.

Total average length 5 in .7 lin .; head 1 in .11 . ; end muzzle to base anal 3 in.; depth at dorsal 1 in .41 .; at anal 11.51 .

The above description is taken from an adult from the Conestoga in Pennsylvania, tributary to the Susquehama. It applies equally well to all individuals of the species, except as pointed out under the heads of the varieties, :espectively. Nevertheless, the specimens from the Susquehanna are frequently distinguishable from those of the Delaware. Numerous specimens from Michigan agree with the former in having a more elongate form of head and body than specimens from tributaries of the Delaware. They often differ from those of the Susquehanna in having a row of scales more below the lateral line. In Delaware specimens the head is shorter than in the latter, not more so than in the former, but the deptlo of the body is greater than in either, entering in length to base of tail $3 \frac{1}{2}$ times-in the others 4 and $4 \frac{1}{3}$ times. The dorsal fin is a little more anteriorly situated in the Delaware specimens, and there is a row of seales more below the lateral line than in Susquehama speci-
mens. With typical specimens only, these might be regarded as representing two species, and as sueh I have already alluded to them: but in the large number of individuals at my disposal, I find transitions in all the points. The Delaware speeimens more nearly resemble the II. cornutus, figured by Dr. Storer.

General IIabitat.-Eastern, Middle and Western States; head waters of the James River. There is nothing in the description of Plargyrus argentatus Girard (1. c. 212), from the lower James River, to distinguish it from this variety.
H. c. eyaneus.

Scales of the whole dorsal and ventral regions very small, 31 to 40 in front of dorsal fin; on sides $10-40-4$. Colors rery dark; above blackish-blue, all the scales black at their bases; head entirely black; pectorals black: ventrals with a broad black band and red tip; anal blaek in front, dorsal chiefly black; membrane of caudal blackish. In a specimen 5 in .10 .5 lines long, the orbit enters the head 4.5 times. Small tubercles extend from muzzle to vertex, are numerous on the sides of the former to rictus oris, and form a strong erest on maudibular and suborbital bones.
This well-marked variety was taken in the Montreal River, Keeweenaw Point, on Lake Superior, by John H. Slack, M. D., to whom the Academy is indebted for a number of specimens.

## Hypsilepis coccogenis Cope.

Spec. nov.
The general form of this fish is moderately stout, the head elongate and straight, with large eye. The caudal peduncle is neither narrow nor broad; the dorsal outline very little elevated. Length of head four and a quarter times in total without caudal fin; greatest depth scareely less than length of head. Diameter of eye three-fourths of frontal width, and greater than distance between its lower margin and gular plane. Scales of typical form 7-42 -3. The fins rather small ; pectorals extend little more than half way to ventrals, and the latter do not reach the vent. External margin of anal as long as from end of muzzle to preopercular line, or as long as pectoral ; front margin of dorsal equal the same, and greater than posterior margin of same.

The colors of this fish are very pleasing. Belly and sides silver white, or in the breeding season rose-colored, bounded above the lateral linc by a leaden shade. Back olive, with sometimes a brown dorsal band, sometimes the scales heavily blaek margined. The head blaekish above, and a deep black band on the scapular arch. Muzzle and lips with a broad band behiud the edge of the preoperenlum and axillary spot, crimson. Dorsal fin broadly black-banded on margin, yellowish-banded medially, and crimson at base. Colors of the caudal similar, without the erimson; inferior fins milky white.

Dimensions of an adult specimen:


This species is only second to the II. cornutus in size, and first in the genus in beanty. Its particolored fins and crimson cheek stripe render it easily recognizable. The latter feature gives it its name. It occurs in abundance in the clear and often rapid creeks that flow into the north and middle forks of the Holston River in Viginia. Taken in the Niuth month.

## Myphlepis galacturys Cope.

Spec. nor.
The general form of this fish is fusiform, the inferior and superior outlines converging equally. The superior eranial ontline descends gently and equally; the muzzle is more than usually prolonged beyond the mouth. The end of the
maxillary stands opposite the nares. The eye is smaller than in the other speeies, excepting H. analostanus, entering $5 \cdot 5$ times the length of the head in old specimens. The head enters the total (exclusive of caudal fin) 4.3 times, and the greatest depth $4 \cdot 6$ times. The exposed surfaces of the lateral scales are not so much narrowed as in the other species, and the lateral linc is but little decurved ; nos. 6-41-3; eighteen anterior to the dorsal fin. Small tubercles appear on the top of the head, the patch narrowed behind, and the sides of the muzzle. The pectoral fins reach three-fifths the distance to the ventrals, the latter the vent. The anal is larger than in most species, its outer margin as long as from end of muzzle to middle of operculum. Dorsal clevatcd, the height equalling depth of body at first anal ray in a male. Rays D I. 8. $\mathrm{C}+19+$. All. 9. V. 8. P. 14.

Dimensions of an adult :
In. Lin.
Total length
54
Lengtlı muzzle...................... $3 \cdot 75$
Diameter orbit ......... .......... $2 \cdot 75$

|  | In. |  |  | Lin. |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Depth |  |  |  |  |
| " | 8.25 |  |  |  |
| " | dorsal......................... | 11.75 |  |  |
| " | caudal peduncle..... | 5.75 |  |  |

In life this species is steel gray above, and silver beneath ; the inferior fins are milky, and the dorsal and caudal iron grey sprinkled with blackish. The hinder portion of the former has the membrane black and the rays cream colored, and the whole base of the caudal is cream yellow.

This fine species is abundant in the tributaries of the Holston River in Virginia. Many specimens are in the museum of the Academy.

It resembles the H. analostanus in its proportions of eye and head, but is more elongate in body. The largest specimens are more than twice the size of the largest of the latter.

## Hypsilepis analostanus (Girard) Cope.

Leuciscus kentukiensis Kirtl. Journ. Bost. Soc. Nat Hist. V. p. 27 (not of Rafinesque). Cyprinella do. Cope, Proc. Acad. Phila. 1854, 279. Hypsilepis do. Cope, Trans. Am. Phila. Soc. 1866, 371. Cyprinella analostana Girard, Proc. Acad. Phila. 1859, 58. Cope 1. c.
The dorsal and ventral outlines are regularly and gently arched from the end of the muzzle and contract to a caudal peduncle of about the depth of the liead at the middle of the orbit. The dorsal region is quite compressed, the ventral narrow but not carinate in front of the vent. Eye round, contained 4.5 tumes in length of head, and 1.5 in length of muzzle; the latter is narrowed and projects slightly beyond the mouth, most so in males in breeding season. Oral margin arched, end of maxilla opposite middle of nares. The greatest depth of the body is greater than the length of the head, and enters the total (including caudal fin) four and one-fifth times. Tail short, deeply and concately emarginate. Anal fin less developed than dorsal, its base nearly equal liciglit of first ray, and just excecding base of dorsal ; latter a little over ? greatest elevation of the same.
General color leaden silvery, darkest on the sides, the scales above and below, a dorsal band and large spot on hinder part of dorsal fin, blackish; top of head and median margin of anal fin shaded with the same. In spring and summer the inferior fins, and even the tips of the caudal and anterior part of the dorsal, are filled with a satin white pigment, which has a very elegant effect, and gives the fish its local name of "Silver Fin." At the same period the head and muzzle of the male are studded with small tubercles, as follows: a conic accumulation on the end of the muzzle, prolonging it ; a serics round the mandible, also over the orbit, from an agglomeration on the preorbital bone ; a double series of larger tubcrcles on each side the frontal region, which join between the nares and on the parictal region; scattered series on the temporal region.

Total length 3.375 inches; caudal 5 ; from its base to first ray of anal 1 in .; to first dorsal ray $1 \cdot 44 \mathrm{in}$.; from latter to end of muzzle $1 \cdot 56 \mathrm{in}$.
This species is abundant in the various tributaries of the Ohio ; it is also commou in all the waters of the Susquehanna examiued (Octoraro, Conestoga, Juniata, Meshoppen) and in the Potomac (Girard) ; from the Delaware 1 know It from the neighborhood of Treuton (C. C. Abbott) and Philadelphia (J. Burk), Consheliocken on the Schuylkill. From the James River, Va.

It is also abundant in the Kanawha and its tributaries, but is not known from the Holston. It is chiefly to be found in the quieter parts of river chanuels aud back waters, being comparatively rare in creeks.
Dr. Girard described specimens of this species from the Potomac as distinct from those of the Ohio, without making comparisons. I undertook to substantiate the differences aud gave the following as distinctive features of the Eastern and Western fishes :
Head 32 to 4 time ${ }^{5-(6)}$
Head $3 \frac{2}{3}$ to 4 times in length to base of tail. Scales-(6) 32 - 5 for the Eastern. 2-(3)
Head' $4 \frac{1}{3}$ times; muzzle more acute. Scales $\frac{6-7}{3-4} 38-40$ for the Ohio type.
These represent the tendencies of the individuals of these regions correctly, but the exceptions to the rule are not rare ; thus a Schuylkill specimen before me exhibits a head $4 \frac{1}{3}$ times in length and has an acute muzzle, scales of lateral line 38. Seven rows of scales above the lateral line in a Youghiogheuy specimen, include some abnormally iutercalated, but not a true serres; about half the Delaware specimens exhibit six. Four rows below the lateral line has resulted from counting an elevated abdominal series. In two Ohio specimens the aual radial formula is identical with that of the eastern, $1 \cdot 9$, while in five the furmula is $1 \cdot 8$. Thus this species exhibits an uuusual range of variation.

Dr. Kirtland identifies this species with the Leuciscus (Luxilus) kentukiensis Rafinesque, but this cannot be correct, as the latter is described as having red fins, a characteristic always wantiug in the H. analostanus.

## Hypsilepis diplemia Raf.

Leuciscus dipliteria Raf., Ichthyologia Opiensis, p. 50. Luxilus do. Kirtland, Bost. Journ. N. H. 1845, 276, Tab. Pburgyrus do. Girard, Proc. Acad. Phila. 1856. Hypsilepis do. Cope, 1. c. 1864.

This species has somewhat the form, as it has the coloration and minute nuptial excresceuces of the species of Clinostomus; as in them, the dorsal fin commences slightly behind above the origin of the ventrals; its hinder margin is opposite the origin of the anal, to which the ventrals attain. Anal elongate, its last ray horizontal, outliue belind, vertical concave. Dorsal elevated, rounded above, length of first articulated ray one-half from its base to base of caudal. Radial formula D 1. 9 P. 12. V. 8. A I. 11. C. $+18+$. Dorsal ontline elevated, superior line of cranium scarcely arched, head rather compressed; body rapidly narrowing to caudal peduncle at dorsal and anal fins. Caudal expanded, deeply emarginate.

In the breediug season minute asperities cover the dorsal line in front of the dorsal fin, and appear on the upper and lower aspects of the head. The latter are inost abundant on the preorbital region; on frontal region sparse, minute. Rows on the superciliary and lower edge of suborbital regions, and two on each ramus mandibuli.
Length of head four times in length to base caudal, and less than depth of body. Scales of anterior dorsal region much smaller than those of the lateral; latter with exposed surfaces very narrow, and crested witle minute tubercles in the breeding season.
Color, dusky above, the sides and belly silvery without band; below crimson
in spring. A large black spot at base of dorsal fin. Length extends to four inches, according to Prof. Kirtland; of a specimen in Museum Academy, from Lansing, Michigan, 2 inches to origin caudal; 12.5 lines to origin dorsal ; 6 lines to opercular margin ; depth 7 lines.

Prof. Kirtland states that it is abundant in all western streams, and that it ascends rapids in shoals in spring for the purpose of depositing its eggs.

## Iypsilepis ardens Cope.

Spec. nov.
Length of head 4.33 times in total ; orbit equal muzzle, its anterior border reached by the end of the maxillary; mandibular symplysis projecting slightly beyond the end of the muzzle. About 26 rows of scales in front of dorsal fin. Anterior dorsal ray opposite the middle of the ventral, the posterior opposite the first anal. The first anal nearly as long as the longest dorsal, the fin elongate, concave behind; it is nearly reached by the ventrals. PectoraIs extend half way to ventrals. Cranium slightly arched transversely above ; interorbital space 25 greater than diameter of orbit. Opercular and preorbital bones deeper than long.

Dorsal region yellowish olive, the scales black edged to middle of sides, all rose shaded. Sides, belly and head rosy crimson, muzzle approaching vermillion; suborbital region purple. Dorsal and anal fins vermillion, the former black at base; pectorals and ventrals rose. Caudal orange red, black lined.

Length of largest specimen 3 in. $2 \cdot 5$ lines; to base dorsal 17.5 lines; latter to base caudal 14.5 lines. Depth at orbit 3.5 l.; at first anal ray 5.25 l.; at constriction caudal peduncle 31 .

Habitat.-The head waters of the Roanoke River (in Montgomery Co., Virginia). One of the most richly colored fresh-water fishes.

## PHOTOGENIS Cope.

Trans. Amer. Philos. Soc. 1866, 378.
This genus was established for species agreeing in general characters with Hybopsis, but resembling Alburnellus in dentition. The mouth is not small, the orbits and scales are large, and the form generally slender. The species frequent clear streams, are less common in swift rapids, and never occur in stagnant or muddy waters. They are ornamented with lustre almost exclusively, and do not develope conspicuous horny tubercles.

The present collection contains three new species of the genus, which are here added to the three already known :
A. Anal radii I. 10, in one species I. 9. (No black spot at origin of caudal fin.)
ax. Dorsal fin much nearer origin caudaI than end of muzzle.
Scales (5) 6-39-40-3. Diameter eye equal length muzzle; $3 \cdot 3$ times in head; latter 4 to $4 \cdot 5$ in length; depth in same $5 \cdot 6-5$ times; above olive; sides silver, in a band on caudal peduncle. Anal radii I. 10
Frontal width three-fifths orbit. Scales 7-35-3. Orbit diameter greater than length muzzle, 2.75 times in head; depth 4.75 in length ; lateral line much decurved; silvery below, fins unspotted. Anal radii I. $9 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. P. ariommus.
a. Dorsal fin equidistant between origin caudal and end muzzle.
Scales $4(5)-36-40-3$. Diameter of eye exceeding leugth of muzzle, 2.75 times in length of head; latter 4.5 in length,* depth 5 times. Head above and edges dorsal scales blackish; sides and belly silver.
P. telescopus.

## AA. Anal radii I. 8.

$\alpha$. A black spot at origin caudal fin.
Scales 5-38-40-3. Orbit equal muzzle, $3 \cdot 3-3 \cdot 5$ times in length head; latter 4.5 in length. Olive seales above brown edged; sides silver, with a purple band; muzzle and base dorsal red
P. leueiodus.
ax. No black spot at base eaudal.
Head narrower. Seales 6-38-2. Orbit less than length muzzle, 3.5 times in length head; latter times in total; depth five times in same. A leaden lateral band; middle eaudal and spot on dorsal blaek.
P. spilopterus.

Head broad, frontal width equal diameter orbit, which is greater than length of muzzle, one-third length head. Scales 5-6 $-38-3$. Head $375-4$ times in length ; depth $4-4.5$ times.
P. seabriceps.

Photogenis ledcops Cope.
L. e. Squalius (Clinostomus) photogenis Cope, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila. 1864, 280.

A speeies resembling some Alburni in its large eaducous seales and attenuated form. Eye over one-third head, round. Mouth quite oblique; under jaw scareely projecting; maxillary not reaching line of margin of orbit. Head entering four and two-thirds times into length to fork of caudal; greatest depth seven times. Back broad. Fins D. narrow 8; C. 19, A. 1-10. V. little anterior to dorsal 9. P. narrow falcate 13, extending about half-way from their origin to that of the ventrals. Scales with radii stronger than eoneentric lines. From base of eaudal to base of first dorsal ray, equal from latter to anterior loorder of iris. Lateral line deflexed, rising with outline of belly at anal fin. Above pale ochre, with a median brown line, and one on each side, from opercular upper angle to tail. Sides and below bright silvery, espeeially brilliant on the operenlum and suborbital region. Lips blackish edged. Muzzle and chin whitish. Lengtl three inches.
This species has but five seales above the lateral line as originally deseribed, exceedingly rarely.
Three marked varieties of this species have come under my notice, as follows :
a. Depth greater, equal from end muzzle to middle of opereulum; head usually $4 \cdot 5$ times in lengtl. Numerous speeimens from the Kanawha, especially from Sinking Creek and near Austinville, Wythe Co., Va.
au. Depth less, six times in length, equal from end muzzle to edge preopercle ; head four times in length. Two speeimens from Youghiogheny, Pa.
axa (P. l. engraulinus). Depth one-sixth of length, equal from end muzzle to between orbit and preopereulum, Head $3 \frac{2}{3}$ times in length. One speeimen from Austinville, Wythe Co., Va., from a tributary of the Kanawha.

## Photogenis ariommus Cope.

Trans. Ain. Philos. Soc. Plila. 1866, 280.
This species resembles at first sight the Pl. Ie ucops, but is less elongate. On eomparing an example of the latter, $\cdot 25$ longer, the depth of the body is the same, and the eye strikingly larger; the depth of the head the same, and the muzzle shorter.

In this fish the operculum is deeply coneave on its upper posterior margin, and the inferior is shorter than the anterior; in P. leneops the former is straight, and the inferior border equal the anterior. The dark lateral line is faint or wanting in the ariommus, and there is no black vertebral band. l'aced alongside of a Hypsilepis cornutus of equal length, this fish is less
deep, and has an eye of almost double the area, besides the different coloration and generic features of teeth and scales.

Eye two and three-fifths in length head; mnzzle two-thirds its diameter; mouth large, mandible scarcely projecting, maxilla not attaining anterior margin of orbit. Frontal breadth three-fifths orbit. Pectoral fius reaching threequarters distance to ventrals. Depth caudal peduncle one-third from middle origin caudal to opposite first aual ray. Basis of anal slightly elongate, fourfifths height of same, equal basis dorsal; latter equal two-thirds height of dorsal ; last dorsal ray much less than half first, hence the outline of the fin is very oblique. Caudal deeply furcate, length equal that of head. Length from basis caudal to first dorsal ray equal from latter to above anterior part of orbit, as in Ph. leucops. Anal radii I. 9.

Light olivaceous sides and below silvery, becoming a band with superior dark edge on caudal peduncle. Sides of head and muzzle white.
Total length 2.875 inches; base of dorsal to superior base caudal 1.06 inches ; same to end muzzle 1-19.

This species has only been found as yet in the White River, Indiana, by Wm. P. Clark, to whose attention I owe a single specimen.

## Photogenis telescopus Cope, sp. nov.

A species combining an elongate form, short head and large eye, and nearly allied to the last described.
Mouth very oblique (angle $60^{\circ}$ ), mandible not projecting beyond premaxillary when closed; posterior margin maxillary on line of anterior margin of orbit. End of muzzle slightly decurved, profile above nearly plane; frontal region flat transversely, the parietal region gently convex in section. Lateral line slightly deflected. Posterior dorsal ray equal less than half the anterior, and equal the basis to the sixth ray. Basis of anal greater thau that of dorsal, a little less than longest anal ray. Veutral fins fall short of vent, and are approached two-thirds the intervening distance by the pectorals. P. 14. D. and V. I. 8. C. $+19+$. Length of an average specimen 3 in. 6.5 lines; end muzzle to first anal ray 1 in .11 .5 lines; depth caudal peduncle at posterior anal ray $3 \cdot 75$ lines.
In life this species is a pale sea-green, with distinct brown edges to the scales. Lateral lustre plumbeous posteriorly.
This species is very abundant in all the rapid streams tributary to the Holston River in Virginia. It is very rare in the river itself.

## Photogenis leuciodus Cope, sp . nov.

This species is allied to the P.telescopns, and may readily be confounded with it, but the more delicate tints at once distiuguish it in life, and the smaller orbit strikes the eye on making comparison. As shown in the analytic table, the characters are numerous. It is the only one of the genus adorned with bright colors ; they are subdued, the purple and silver of the sides resembling the nacre of some Unioncs.

Muzzle rounded in profile, mandible not projecting, mouth oblique ( $30^{\circ}$ ), end of maxillary boue opposite margin orbit. Vertex gently convex transversely. Twelve scales iu vertebral line anterior to dorsal fin. Lateral line nearly straight. Radial formula, except for anal, and lengths of fins as in the last species. Longest dorsal ray measures twice from its origin to above posterior margin or middle of orbit. End of muzzle and basis of dorsal fin red, as in the young of Hypsilepis coceogenis.

Total length of a fully grown specimen 3 in. 1 line; length to first anal ray 1. $8 \cdot 5$ lines. Depth caudal peduncle at last anal ray 3 lines.

This species is found in the tributaries of the Ifolston, in situations similar to those where the P. telescopus occurs. It is, compared with the last named, a rare fish. Numerous specimens in Mus. Acadcmy.

## Photogenis spilopterus Cope.

Trans. Amer. Philos. Soc. Phila. 1866, 280.
Form elongate, less so than in the Ph. leucops; scales with the radii distinct 6-10, and the concentric lines rery strong. Lateral line deflexed anteriorly. Orbit three and one-half times in length of head, equal length muzzle, and is three-fourths the interorbital breadth. Head five and one-third times in total length, equal length caudal fin. Muzzle straight above, mandible not projecting when closed, end of maxillary attaiuing line of orbit. Premaxillary margiu opposite middle pupil. Pectorals two-thirds length to ventrals. Bases of anal and dorsal fins equal, equal two-thirds height of former, three-fitths height of latter. First dorsal ray a little nearer origiu caudal than end muzzle. Rays, D. 1.8. A. 1.8. V. 7 and 8. P. 13.

Length 2.875 inches, depth caudal peduncle at middle $\cdot 19 \mathrm{in}$. Teeth in numerous specimens $1 \cdot 4-4 \cdot 1$.

Color olivaceous, with a plumbeous band along the posterior half the lateral line; thoracic region and lower half the sides of head silvery, remainder of head blackish. Median part of caudal fin, a spot on the upper hinder portion of the dorsal, and a narrow vertebral line, black.

Many specimens of this species are in Museum Academy, from St. Josephs River, in southwestern Michigan.

This species bears a superficial resemblance to the Hybopsis plumbcolus, but apart from the difference of dentition, and the spot on the dorsal fin, this species has a smaller eye, longer rentrals, etc.

Photogents scabriceps Cope, sp. nov.
This species is readily distinguished from its congeners by its stout robust form, heavy head, and large eye, and in life by minute rugosities which cover the front muzzle and chin, but which disappear, leaving no trace, in spirits.

Front and vertex flat, upper profile plane, end of muzzle obliquely descending. Mouth little oblique, mandible as long as muzzle; extremity of maxillary opposite line of orbit. The operculum is more posteriorly prolouged than in the P. telescopus. Lateral liue distinctly deflexed. Pins small, pectorals and ventrals short ; radii as in the last species.

This species is not so refulgent as most others of the genus. In life it is of a bright sea-grecn, with an ill-defined silver lateral band, which is leaden shaded on the caudal peduncle. Dorsal streak reddish, scarcely perceptible in alcohol.

Total length 3 in . 1.5 lines; width of cranium behind 4.2 lines; length of caudal fin (equal from end muzzle to preoperculum) $5 \cdot 75$ lines.

This species occurs abundantly in the tributaries of the kimawha River, in compauy with the Ph. 1 e ucops, especially in Sinking Creek, Walker's Creek, and near Austinville. It occurs not rarely in the main chanuel of the river also.

## A Review of the species of the AMBLYSTOMID压.

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This family is of particular interest among the Urodela, as furnishing connecting forms between the ordiuary types of the order, and those larger species which we suppose to be more characteristic of former periods of the earth's history. It also furnishes us with transitional conditions of characters which have been regarded as indicating very diverse origin and nature. The species are mostly of large size, and are probably confined to North America; perlaps a species exists in Japan.

The characters which restrict the family are as follows :
Palatine bones uot prolouged over parasphenoid, bearing teeth on their posterior margius.


[^0]:    * The genus Galera, Gray. is here regarded as distinct from Galictis Bell (Grisonia Gray), as it posirsses an internal tubercle on the inferior sectorial, which is wanting in the latter.

